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FOR THE DEPOSITION OF CHEMICAL
GRADIENTS AND SURFACES DISPLAYING
GRADIENT OF IMMOBILISED
BIOMOLECULES

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty to disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, attached hereto is Form PTO/SB/08a listing two references which may be considered material in evaluating the patentability of the claims of the above-identified application. Copies of the references are attached hereto for the Examiner's review.

The cited references were cited in an Office Action issued on April 2, 2010 in a counterpart Japanese application.

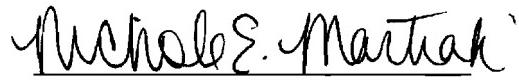
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With respect to cited Japanese Patent No. 5-179034, this reference is in Japanese. As there is no English counterpart, a copy of the Abstract is enclosed herewith. In addition, a copy of the Office Action discussing the reference is also enclosed.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(c)(1), it is hereby stated that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. It is respectfully submitted that no fee is required for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions or if additional information is required, please contact Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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